

WEATHER.
FAIR TODAY, FOLLOWED
BY POSSIBLE SHOWERS
TOMORROW.

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DAVIS DRANK CARBOLIC ACID

Assistant Postmaster of E. Chicago
Takes Life When Exposure Was
About to be Made Public

CORONER GIVES VERDICT

Death of Popular East Chi-
cagoan Results in Startling
Developments.

Sensational developments following
the death of Assistant Postmaster
Thomas Davis of East Chicago became
known in Hammond today and indi-
cate that his death was due to
carbolic acid poisoning and occurred
simultaneously with the visits of the
postoffice inspectors to the East Chi-
cago office.

FIRST REPORT HEART FAILURE.

The first report given out was to
the effect that death was the result
of heart failure but investigation of
Dr. E. M. Shanklin of Hammond,
County Coroner is said to have dem-
onstrated that death resulted from
carbolic acid taken with suicidal in-
tent and that his demise was not due
to heart failure as at first given out.

VISITS OF INSPECTORS.

When the fact became known that
Davis committed suicide his death was
at once associated with the visits of
the postoffice inspectors. Coincidentally
it became known that a discrepancy of
\$300 had been found in Davis' accounts,
and that these disclosures are expected
any time.

Whether or not this shortage will be
explained remains to be seen. An effort
was made to keep these facts from the
public but they became public property
and it was useless to attempt to con-
ceal them any longer.

WORKING FOR MONTHS.

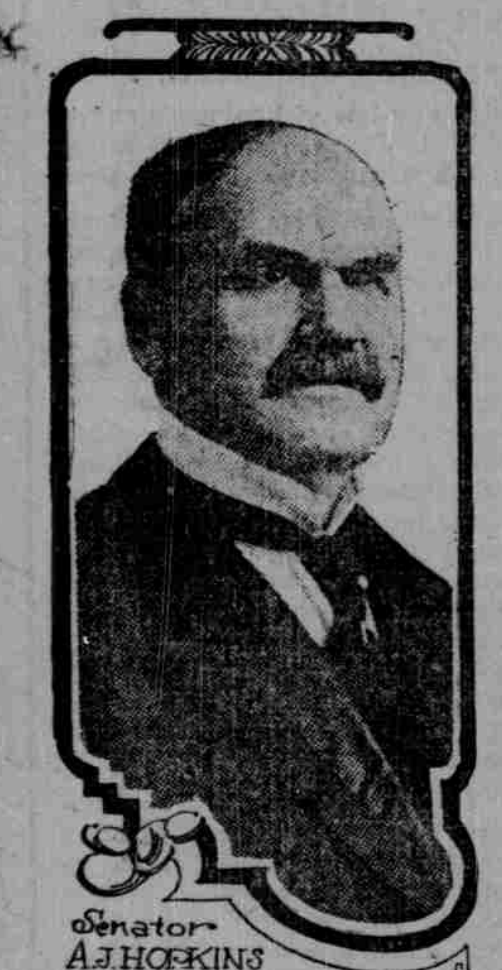
The postal inspectors have been at
work in the East Chicago office for sev-
eral months and it is said that the evi-
dence against Davis was becoming so
strong that in this extremity he took
his own life fearing the exposure that
was about to break over his head.

In the meantime the friends and rela-
tives of Mrs. Thomas Davis are very
much concerned over her physical con-
dition. It is believed that she is very
near a nervous breakdown.

IS A SICK WOMAN.

In fact it has become necessary to
use extreme caution in breaking the
news to her to prevent her from having
a nervous collapse. The friends of the
unfortunate woman are expressing
their deepest and heartfelt sympathy.
She is left with one little girl Dorothy,
aged two years. Mrs. Davis was Noble
Grand of the Oddfellows lodge in East
Chicago.

FORMER SENATOR TELLS OF BRIBERY



During the Illinois legislative in-
vestigation of the Lorimer senatorial
bribery charges, former Senator A. J.
Hopkins testified that Senator Mc-
Cormack had told J. M. Peppers, Mr.
Hopkins' secretary, that he, Mr. Mc-
Cormack, had been offered \$2,500 to
vote for Lorimer.

MARSHALL BOOM NOW LAUNCHED

TIMES BUREAU.
AT STATE CAPITAL.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 26.—Governor Marshall's Presidential boom has al-
ready reached the nickering stage, ac-
cording to indications that have de-
veloped here in the last day or two, and
it is a question whether it can with-
stand the blight that is being spread
on it by a crowd of Indiana Democrats
that wants to nominate Senator John
W. Kern for President. There was a
meeting here tonight before last, at-
tended by about forty well known Indiana
Democrats, for the purpose of starting
the Kern boom with a big push. They
met at the Denison hotel and formed a
temporary organization and elected offi-
cers to look after the spread of the
boom. M. M. Mahoney was elected
president; John S. Mahon and William
Anderson vice presidents, and C. R.
Cameron secretary.

These men say that they will hold
another meeting in the next few days
and that Democrats will attend from
all over the state. The time for the
meeting has not been set.

The organization was named the
Kern Presidential Club. Mr. Cameron
says that it does not oppose any good
Democrat for the Presidential nomina-
tion, but that it is for Kern ahead of
all others. The club gave out an
authorized statement in which the pur-
pose and views of the club are set forth.
It is as follows:

"That Governor Marshall will not
control or have a delegation friendly to
his nomination for President to the
next Democratic national convention is
now certain, and that his friends will
have to fight for every delegate they
obtain from now on is emphasized by
the organization of a Kern Presidential
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BOARD INVESTIGATES HUNDRED FORTY FIRST

County Commissioners Are
Conducted Over New
Proposed Route.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Indiana Harbor, Ind., April 26.—The
county commissioners were here and
in East Chicago yesterday investigat-
ing conditions in regard to the im-
provement of One Hundred and Forty-
first street. Richard Schaaf, Matt
Brown and Eli Hutton, who compose
the board, came from Crown Point
with Auditor Charles Johnson in his
new Cole 20, five-passenger automobile
which the auditor believes has got
anything in the shape of a buzz wag-
on in Lake county, backed off the
boards.

The automobile containing Mr. John-
son and the board of commissioners
was met in East Chicago early in the
afternoon by a delegation of East Chi-
cago and Indiana Harbor citizens in
automobiles belonging to Mayor A. G.
Schlieker, Representative W. B. Van
Horne, Dr. Frank Stephens and Post-
master James Nedra of Whiting. The
commissioners were conducted over the
route and the advantages of the pro-
posed improvement shown them.

While no definite promises were
made, the officials spoke very favor-
ably of the proposition and expressed
themselves as appreciative of what will
mean to Indiana Harbor, East Chicago
and Hammond when made a traversa-
ble highway.

The road as proposed will join the
Torrence road which is now being built
from Chicago to the state line and
when both these roads are completed
and also the road as proposed from
Indiana Harbor to Gary, it will form
the most direct route from Gary, Indi-
ana Harbor, East Chicago and Ham-
mond, to Chicago.

It is expected that a definite answer
will be received regarding the pro-
posed improvement about the middle of
next week.

Start Work on Houses.

Work was started yesterday on put-
ting in the concrete footings of four-
teen or more houses for the American
Sheet and Tin Plate company on the
west side, the building permits having
been taken out last week.

Architect D. P. Creighton has re-
turned from Pittsburg, where he was
in conference with the officials of the
company and work will now start as
soon as the foundations are completed
on the buildings proper. The forms
are in Gary and everything is in readi-
ness for the erection of the residences.

Nine Scarlet Fever Cases.

There are at present about nine scar-
let fever cases in Hammond. The state
case against Kios of Crover street for
violating his scarlet fever quarantine
has not yet been set for trial in Judge
Ames' court, where it was filed by Dr.
W. D. Wells, secretary of the board of
health. It will be tried at all it will
not come up until after the quarantine
has been removed.

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN MAY BECOME BRIDE OF ALFRED VANDERBILT



According to rumors in New York society, Mrs. Margaret Emerson McKim may marry Alfred Vanderbilt.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WILLIAMS

(Special to THE TIMES.)

East Chicago, Ind., April 26.—Mrs.
Jane Williams, wife of James Williams,
4127 Baring avenue, was laid to rest
Monday afternoon in Oak Hill ceme-
tery, Hammond. Funeral services were
held at the Congregational church at 2
p. m. Rev. Alexander Monroe officiat-
ing. There were quantities of flowers.
Mrs. Williams having been possessed
of many friends who took this way
of paying tribute to the dead.

The pallbearers were Albert Zeller,
South Chicago; W. Llewellyn, Luth-
er Powell, Elias Davis, Joseph French,
Llewellyn Williams of East Chicago.

The deceased was born March 19,
1848, in Wales. She was married in
1869, and was the mother of ten chil-
dren, eight of whom are living. She
came with her family to America in
1881, settling in Brazil, Ind. She came
to East Chicago to reside three years
ago.

All of her children were able to be
present at the funeral. Leah Williams,
the daughter who was in Mexico, ar-
riving Saturday evening.

THERE'S A CHANCE THAT YOU
OUGHT NOT TO POSTPONE THAT
"SHOPPING" ANY LONGER. READ
THE TIMES' ADS AND SEE IF THIS
IS NOT SO.

COUNTESS TO WED ENGLISH AVIATOR



It is announced that Countess Yo-
lande E. De Villeneuve, of France,
is to become the bride of H. Graham
Carter, an English aviator. The
countess is of distinguished lineage
and is said to be wealthy. Just at
present she is living at Cranford,
N. J.

Mr. Carter is well known in
aviational circles on both sides of
the Atlantic.

WARREN WAS GREAT VOCALIST

Gary Man Makes Hit at
Shrine Ceremonial in Ham-
mond Last Night; Candi-
dates From All Parts of
District Taken In.

The ceremonial session of the mem-
bers of Oak shrine was one of the most
successful that has ever been held in
Hammond. Over 200 members gathered
around the banquet table and listened
to the facetious remarks of the speak-
ers.

The following were the candidates
initiated:

Edward J. Kidd of Hammond, Henry
C. Reber of Michigan City, John M. Fox,
Hobart; Otto Muehlberger, Hammond;
Wallace N. Clark, Hammond; William
C. Norris, Hammond; A. S. Barbank,
Hammond; William R. Flacus, Ham-
mond; C. V. Leonard, Rochester; C. E.
Thompson, Indiana Harbor; Anthony A.
C. Lepage, Gary.

Banquet a Feature.

The principal speaker was Dr. Mc-
Nabb of Chicago, the central agent of
the Maxwell Automobile Co. Others
who spoke were Hon. Harry B. Tai-
hill, Hon. Frank N. Gavit, W. E. Con-
key and Rev. Charles Albert Smith. The
singing of W. H. Warren of Gary was
one of the features of the ceremonial.

The banquet was served by Mrs. Ep-
pler of Hammond, with the aid of a
number of the members of the Blue
lodge who acted as waiters. The ban-
quet committee is composed of Walter
Hammond, J. Floyd Irish and J. M.
Woodman. The banquets which have
been put on by this committee have
been so uniformly successful that it
appears that they have been appointed
as a permanent banquet committee.

Nine for Fall Class.

One of the fine results of the cer-
emonial in the fact that applications
have been received from nine persons
who announce their intention of becom-
ing shriners in the fall class.

The menu was as follows:
Oyster cocktail, wafers, celery, roast
pork, apple sauce, scalloped potatoes,
green peas, sliced tomatoes, olives, hot
rolls, strawberry shortcake, coffee, nuts,
mint, cigars.

Official divan: Illustrous potentate,
Harry E. Sharrer, illustrious chief rab-
ban, Hugh F. Meikle, illustrious assist-
ant rabban, Harry B. Tuthill; Illus-
trious high priest and prophet, Andrew
J. Smith; illustrious oriental guide, Vir-
gil S. Reiter; illustrious treasurer, Jo-
seph T. Hutton; illustrious recorder,
John W. Northland; first ceremonial
master, William J. McAleer; second
ceremonial master, Edward J. Harrison;
marshal, Jacob H. Kasper; captain of
guard, William H. Davis; outer guard,
August H. W. Johnson; director, Ernest
L. Shortridge.

WIFE SEEKS KNOWLEDGE OF HUSBAND

Has anyone in Gary met William H.
Madden or does anyone know his
whereabouts?

Mr. Madden is supposed to be work-
ing in the steel plant and his wife and
four children living was back east in
Amsterdam, New York. Would like to
know his whereabouts as according to
a letter she has sent the Gary police he
deserted her about ten days ago.

Accompanying the letter which was
received by the local police was a three
column clipping from the New York
Journal, concerning the desertion of
Madden, about ten days ago. From the
story published by the eastern paper the
Maddens are prominent people in Am-
sterdam, and the desertion created a
big sensation.

Mrs. Madden in her letter to the Gary
police asks the department to assist her
in locating her husband.

"I understand," says she in her let-
ter, "that my husband is now working
in the steel mills at Gary. See if you
can locate him and tell him I want him
to come back. Of course if he don't
care for his wife and children any more
why don't you urge him."

G. & I. DIVIDEND.

Eleven of the thirty-six electric in-
terurban roads operating in the state
declared dividends in the fiscal year
ending June 30, 1911, according to the
annual report of the state railroad
commission; which has just been filed
with the governor, the total dividends
amounting to \$504,165.54. The amount of
the Gary & Interurban was \$8,817.50, or
one per cent.

LATEST NEWS

Hammond, Ind., April 26.—Arrange-
ments are being made in Hammond to-
day for the spring meeting of the
Logansport Presbytery, which will
take place in the First Presbyterian
church of Hammond Monday, May 1.
There will be two sessions; a general
afternoon session at which an exami-
nation for the ordination of candidates
will take place. In the evening ordina-
tion and installation proper will take
place. All the Presbyterian churches
in Lake county belong to this pres-
bytery.

Hammond, Ind., April 26.—Dr. Scott
F. Hershey, of Pennsylvania, was to-
day chosen commencement orator for
the graduating exercises of the Ham-
mond high school. Dr. Hershey is a
noted lecturer and is a classmate of
Judge V. S. Reiter of the Lake county
superior court.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 26.—A strike of
the great lakes maintained for the last
three years and involving between 8,
000 and 10,000 men may be declared
off within the next two weeks. Sev-
eral secret meetings have been held
here and a local leader is authori-
tative for the statement that a definite plan
has been agreed upon by one of the
associations on strike and that an an-
nouncement from the grand officers
will be forthcoming within ten days.

New York, April 26.—Work will be
begun here within the next few weeks
on a \$1,000,000 home for the needy, the
gift of Henry J. Barker, a drug im-
porter, who died two years ago leav-
ing a large fortune. The home, a mem-
orial to his parents, will be "for al-
needy persons who have passed the
half century mark."

Chicago, April 26.—Edward Abrams,
45 years old, vice-president of the Con-
tinental Bolt and Iron works, shot and
killed himself late yesterday afternoon
at his home, 6908 Perry avenue. His
wife and a niece, Mrs. Charles E. Dick-
inson, were with him at the time.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 26.—Special
—John J. McNamara, secretary-treas-
urer of the International Association
of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers,
is expected to arrive in Los Angeles
today to face charges of complicity in
the dynamiting of the Los Angeles
Times building Oct. 1, 1910, when
twenty-one persons were killed.

Logansport, Ind., April 26.—Whether
the public confession made by a man
at a revival meeting can be repeated
against him in court was the question
upon which an important phase of the
Michael murder case turned in the cir-
cuit court yesterday.

MEET IN HAMMOND.

Members of the Employers, Builders
and Material Men's association of Lake
county will hold their meeting to-
morrow evening in Hammond instead of
Gary. This is in conformance with the
association's policy to divide the meet-
ings between the two cities, as the or-
ganization is now of county-wide scope.

FIGHTER OF FIRE QUITS AS CHIEF ON \$6,000 A YEAR



Edward Croker, who has just re-
signed as chief of the New York fire
department, will receive a pension of
\$6,000 a year. His salary as chief
was \$10,000, and his friends declare
that he earned every cent of it. He
has been chief since 1898.

Croker will form a company to sup-
ply experienced men, retired firemen,
whose intelligence and ability is
known to Croker, to watch buildings
whose owners desire expert protec-
tion from fire.